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The C A S E of the People, call'd **Quakers**, as it concerns an *Affirmation*, which they desire may be extended to all *Britain*.

TH E Legislature being acquainted, with the *Quakers* Conscientiously scrupling to take any *Oath*, did very tenderly and favourably, grant them an *Affirmation* to be used instead of an *Oath*.

But the said *Affirmation*, (notwithstanding the Union of the two Kingdoms) doth not extend to *Scotland*; and many of the said People in the Northern Countries, and divers other Parts of *England*, do conscientiously scruple that *Affirmation* (even to their own Prejudice, in respect of their Properties) because as they think, the Title of the Act seems to intimate, as if it was an *Oath*, (tho' not in the usual Form) and that there are Expressions in the *Affirmation* it self, which are too much like an *Oath*; of which mind are the said People in *Scotland*.

For these Reasons, the said People, call'd *Quakers*, do now apply to the Parliament, for such an *Affirmation*, as will be agreeable to the Religious Sentiments of their Friends, in North-Britain, and elsewhere.

And the said People are willing, that not only the present Penalties of Perjury, but also such farther Punishment, as shall be thought meet, be inflicted on them, in case they falsly, or corruptly, make use of the *Affirmation* they desire.

Thus, with the greatest Security to others, they may be, both eased, with respect to their Scruples, and rendred more generally useful, to their Neighbours, and themselves.

All which is Humbly submitted

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But the said Affirmation (notwithstanding the Opinion of the Quakers) doth not extend to Quakers; and that the said People in the Northern Counties, and in the Parts of England, do conscientiously refuse that Affirmation (as is their own Opinion) is not to be taken as a ground, they think, the Title of the Affirmation is not in it was an Oath (as is in the said Oath) and that are Exceptions in the Affirmation is itself, which is the same like an Oath; of which mind are the said People in England.

For these Reasons, the said People, call'd Quakers, do not apply to the Parliament for such an Affirmation, as will be agreeable to the Religious Sentiments of their Friends in North-Britain, and elsewhere.

And the said People are willing that not only the present Petitioners of Pennsylvania, but also such farther Petitioners as shall be thought meet be admitted on them in this they fully or completely make use of the Affirmation they believe.

Thus, with the greatest Security to others, they may be both aided, with respect to their scruples, and rendered more generally useful, to their Neighbours, and themselves.

At which it humbly submitted
to the Legislature.